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Dear Tina

## Key developments

Following months of negotiations, Echa and the European Commission have agreed on the resources needed to develop a prototype of the agency's SVHC database, but they say the 2020 deadline will be very difficult to achieve.

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Technology giant Apple has developed a framework for prioritising chemicals of concern in products and manufacturing processes. The framework, which it calls a Chemical Prioritisation Protocol, adapts and extends established methodology for chemical hazard assessment.

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Development of Echa SVHC database resumes after resources agreed

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Washington state passes 'strongest' chemicals in products bill in US

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Apple develops framework for prioritising chemicals of concern

Technology giant Apple has developed a framework for prioritising chemicals of concern in products and manufacturing processes. [Read more](#)

Post-Brexit skills shortage could hamper UK chemicals agency

The UK would "struggle tremendously" to set up its own chemicals agency post-Brexit because of a severe skills shortage, according to four leading toxicology experts speaking at the first session of the UK Environmental Audit Committee's [inquiry](#) into toxic chemicals in everyday life. [Read more](#)

Experts call for 'identical' EDC management for all sectors

The current EU regulatory framework does not protect human health and the environment from the impact of endocrine disrupting chemicals (EDCs), according to a French scientific report commissioned by the European Parliament Committee on Petitions (Peti). [Read more](#)

NGOs urge investigation of 'political interference' in IRIS formaldehyde review

A group of NGOs has called on the US EPA's scientific integrity office to investigate whether political interference led the agency to suspend work on its risk assessment of formaldehyde under the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) programme. [Read more](#)

EU report proposes screening criteria for POPs to capture mobility

A report commissioned by the EU has proposed new screening criteria to identify potential persistent organic pollutants (POPs) on the basis of their mobility in the environment. [Read more](#)

Lawsuit filed over TSCA methylene chloride paint remover ban

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The US EPA is being sued over its recent rule banning the use of methylene chloride in consumer paint removal products, on the grounds that commercial uses have been excluded. [Read more](#)

Canada considers ban on animal testing for cosmetics

A bill to ban the sale and manufacture of cosmetics tested on animals has been introduced into Canada's House of Commons after its unanimous passage in the Senate last year. [Read more](#)

South Korea releases consumer chemical products standards

South Korea's Ministry of Environment has published standards that outline the requirements for safety checks, labelling and packaging on consumer chemical products under the Consumer Chemical Products and Biocide Safety Management Law (K-BPR). [Read more](#)

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## Features

**Feature** Guest Column: The EPA outlines plans for TSCA implementation in 2019

Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, US EPA Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention assistant administrator, discusses what to expect in 2019 including the implementation of section 6 of TSCA. [Read more](#)

**Feature** Feature: Does the EU Pic Regulation provide 'consent' to outsource harm?

EU law allows companies to legally transport dangerous substances to developing countries. [Read more](#)

**Feature** Expert Focus: The new Australian Industrial Chemical Introduction Scheme

Lucy Hartland and Sylvie Tso, of Spruson & Ferguson Lawyers in Sydney, discuss reforms to the regulation of industrial chemicals in Australia under AICIS, including a ban on the use of animal test data. [Read more](#)

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## Ten years ago this week

The European PVC industry published a [progress report](#), under its voluntary Vinyl 2010 programme, which reported that in 2008 the replacement of lead-based stabilisers by members of the European Plastics

Converters Association (EuPC) had surpassed 50% – two years ahead of the programme's deadline.

Lead stabilisers were added to PVC to improve its resistance to outdoor applications and weather. But, because of their potential affect on health and the environment – and thanks to the development of alternatives in the late 1990s – European producers decided to replace lead stabilisers gradually. A 2000 voluntary commitment from the EU PVC industry was a major driver of change and, by the end of 2015, members had completed replacements in all their formulations sold on the EU-28 market.

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## Europe news

Enforcement authorities not equipped for possible REACH authorisation review

NGOs battle EU Commission over POPs flame retardants definition

Commission delays EDCs cosmetics priority list publication

Parliament approves draft EU regulation for product compliance

MPs press government to rule out post-Brexit duplicate tests

EU consults on Pic changes to ensure legal clarity

Echa unveils poison centres submission portal

Sweden finds chemicals leaking from squeezable plastic toys

Commission amends EU POPs Regulation

Echa round-up

[All Europe news](#)

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## Hear the latest updates on substance evaluations in Europe at Chemical Watch Expo 2019

Chemical Watch recently published [an article](#) addressing the need for further data or assessment for 1,300 'high priority' substances identified by Echa and member states.

On day one of the Chemical Watch Expo (12–13 June, Brussels), you will have the opportunity to find out more about the importance of substance assessment and evaluation in Europe from Claudio Mereu (EU Regulatory Partner, Fieldfisher). Claudio will start the first European stream of presentations on day one of the Expo with his talk, ‘Substance evaluations and appeals before the Board of Appeal’.

*Register now for the early-bird discount (expires this Friday, 26 April)*

[Find out more](#)

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## North America News

Consumer advocates ask court to vacate US FDA Gras rule

EPA proposes 11 TSCA significant new use rules

US FDA refuses consumer advocates’ request for perchlorate hearing

Consultation extended on US FDA sunscreen proposal

US toxics agency requests toxicological profile nominations

Industry group pushes for lead-free electronics in high reliability sectors

CPSC considers changes to US clothing textiles flammability standard

Massachusetts notifies expansions to reportable substances list

Survey of cosmetics manufacturers launched by US FDA

US NGO campaigns against nanosilver in menstrual products

US EPA round-up

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## Join HP, ECHA, GreenSoft Technology and CIRS at this year’s Chemicals Management for Electronics and Electricals USA

On day one of this year’s Chemicals Management for Electronics and Electricals USA conference, which takes place in Boston, MA on 16–17 September, we are pleased to welcome speakers from Finland, South Korea, the UK and the US. They will be sharing the latest developments in

global chemical restrictions affecting electronics and electricals in the following presentations:

- The ECHA REACH Candidate List database: An update – Bo Balduyck, ECHA;
- Updates to RoHS – Steven Andrews, UK Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs;
- REACH SVHC article analysis of electronic components – Randy Flinders, GreenSoft Technology;
- Regulatory updates from South Korea including K-REACH, K-BPR and the special act on safety management of children's products – Junho Lee, CIRS Group Korea;
- Regulatory updates from South America – Nidia Mariana Calvo Mendez, HP; plus,
- Updates from Japan, the Middle East and China.

[View the full programme here](#)

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## **Asia and rest of the world news**

Singapore plans to regulate 11 chemicals as hazardous substances

Taiwan to close microbead loophole for synthetic waxes

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## **Risk Assessment news**

Pregnancy protects against lung inflammation from silica, study suggests

Canadian draft screening assessment provisionally clears diazenedicarboxamide

Saudi study links phthalate exposure in couples to failed pregnancy

Rutgers team predicts toxicity by mining PubChem data

Canada releases updated science approach document

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## **Latest events**

Masterbatch Consortium – Call for Interest

1–30 April 2019 \* ERM \* Online

Global New Chemicals and Toxic Substances Management

30 April 2019 \* Intertek \* Online Webinar

Turkish REACH: Be Prepared for KKDIK Registration

2 May 2019 \* Intertek \* Online Webinar

Are you ready for the K-REACH pre-registration deadline in June? Ways to comply and important practicalities

3 May 2019 \* REACHLaw \* Webinar

Update on Treated Articles and Preservatives Guidelines in Canada

7 May 2019 \* Intertek \* Online Webinar

TSCA, Food-Contact Substances and FDA Seminar

7–9 May 2019 \* Keller and Heckman LLP \* Omni Chicago

The New Substances Program and its Authority

14 May 2019 \* Intertek \* Online Webinar

New Approach Methodology Use for Regulatory Application

(NURA): Evaluating Toxicology Information using Modern Science

21–22 May 2019 \* The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, and the Institute for In Vitro Sciences (IIVS) \* IIVS, in Gaithersburg, MD

Workshop REACH Regulation for Downstream Users and Formulators of Chemicals

6 June 2019 \* ONLYCORECHEM \* Brussels/Belgium

14th Biennial International Symposium on Worldwide Regulation of Food Packaging

11–14 June 2019 \* Plastics Industry Association (PLASTICS) \* Baltimore, MD

[All events](#)

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## **Latest jobs**

Regulatory Officer / Senior – agrochemicals

Dublin, Ireland \* Confidential – Agency is NonStop Recruitment

Regulatory Affairs Professional / Scientific Consultant Environmental Fate & Modelling (Full-time)

Stade (DE), Heidelberg (DE) or Valencia (ES) \* GAB Consulting GmbH

Regulatory Affairs IT Specialist - Chemicals

Helsinki, Finland or Vamdrup, Denmark \* Teknos

Global Product Stewardship Director

Belgium, France, USA, Potential Home office \* Confidential – Agency is NonStop Recruitment

Registration Chemist

Londerzeel, Belgium \* VRS Regulatory

Regulatory Officer – work with consumer products & cannabinoids

Essex \* Confidential – Agency is NonStop Recruitment

Head of Innovation and Development

Newcastle upon Tyne \* VRS Regulatory

Senior Regulatory Manager (Biocides)

Harrogate, Derby or Edinburgh UK \* Exponent International Ltd

Regulatory Compliance Manager, EU

Belper, Derbyshire (DE56 4AN) \* Lubrizol Ltd

Regulatory Compliance Chemist

London \* VRS Regulatory

Regulatory Compliance Manager

Midlands \* Confidential – Agency is NonStop Recruitment

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